

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

HONORING MAJOR ALEXANDER ARCDIACONO UPON RECEIVING THE DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS

HON. JOHN GARAMENDI

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, December 7, 2022

Mr. GARAMENDI. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor and commend Major Alexander Arcidiacono of the 60th Air Mobility Wing upon receiving the Distinguished Flying Cross for his service, dedication, and sacrifice during Operation Allies Refuge. He exemplifies the best of America, and his tireless efforts guarantee the safety of all those who call America home.

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On behalf of a grateful country and all the constituents of California's Third Congressional District, I would like to congratulate Major Alexander Arcidiacono of the 60th Air Mobility Wing for receiving the Distinguished Flying Cross and extend my sincere gratitude for his sacrifice and contributions to the defense of this great country.

HONORING THE SERVICE OF
MYRTLE BRAXTON

HON. MARK DeSAULNIER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, December 7, 2022

Mr. DeSAULNIER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the service of Myrtle Braxton.

Throughout her life, Myrtle has served her community in Richmond and has been a true champion for Contra Costa seniors and families. She began her career in public service at the age of 17, working at the Social Security Administration's (SSA) San Francisco office. She went on to work out of the SSA's Rich-

mond office, serving with the SSA for a total of 35 years prior to her retirement in 1981.

After retiring, Myrtle continued to be engaged and active with a number of community organizations, including the League of Women Voters, California Alliance for Retired Americans, the Richmond Commission on Aging, and more. She is also a founder of the City of Richmond's Crime Prevention Program, promoting neighborhood safety and advocating for improved relations between community members and local law enforcement. Additionally, Myrtle has worked hard to preserve open and recreational spaces in our community through her work with the California Association of Parks and Recreation for Commissioners and Board Members and with the National Citizen Branch for the Recreation Park Association. Myrtle has worked tirelessly to improve her community and to serve Richmond residents. Her passion and commitment to activism are admired by many.

Myrtle's advocacy and leadership have been instrumental in Richmond and West County. Please join me in recognizing and thanking Myrtle Braxton for her many years of dedicated service.

HONORING AIRMAN JEREMY EDA
UPON RECEIVING THE DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS

HON. JOHN GARAMENDI

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, December 7, 2022

Mr. GARAMENDI. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor and commend Airman Jeremy Eda of the 60th Air Mobility Wing upon receiving the Distinguished Flying Cross for his service, dedication, and sacrifice during Operation Allies Refuge. He exemplifies the best of America, and his tireless efforts guarantee the safety of all those who call America home.

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sional District, I would like to congratulate Airman Jeremy Eda of the 60th Air Mobility Wing for receiving the Distinguished Flying Cross and extend my sincere gratitude for his sacrifice and contributions to the defense of this great country.

RECOGNIZING THE EFFORTS AND
SUCSESSES OF WNY HEROES

HON. BRIAN HIGGINS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, December 7, 2022

Mr. HIGGINS of New York. Madam Speaker, today I am pleased to honor an organization, WNY Heroes, whose programs continue to be a lifeline for our local military veterans. Founded in 2007, its mission of preventing homelessness quickly expanded to a wholesale outreach organization that has aided countless veterans. They continue to work tirelessly in support of veterans, and this week we celebrate the grand opening of their new location in downtown Buffalo.

At the outset, WNY Heroes was designed to assist Iraq and Afghanistan veterans, but the need grew as veterans of all eras came in search of help. They soon broadened their reach to all that served our nation. WNY Heroes has become an instrumental voice in our community, and their effort toward veterans and their families by providing immediate financial assistance is nothing short of remarkable. More than ever, the demand for their services is growing.

Their program, "Heroes' Bridge," offers veterans with financial assistance. Through medical referral, "Pawstive for Heroes" has paid for over 140 veterans to be paired with a trained service dog. "Operation Backpack" raises money every year to buy new school supplies for the children of veterans. 1,200 veterans from four local counties are sufficiently fed because of their program, "Feed a Veteran." They connect veterans with appropriate resources and services through the Veterans Health Administration every day.

WNY Heroes fills a void in the treatment of our veterans—one that should not exist. Sacrifice abroad is often met with hardship at home. Founder, Chris Kreiger, and the WNY Heroes team knows this firsthand, so they act to fix it. This organization's success serves as a much-needed inspiration, and each of the aforementioned programs is critical in the lives of our local heroes. Their new location in Buffalo should help them to reach more veterans in a more effective manner. On behalf of everyone in the Western New York community, I would like to thank and congratulate WNY Heroes for the services they have provided to our bravest men and women.

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HONORING PHILIPPE GILBERT

HON. JOE WILSON

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, December 7, 2022

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Madam Speaker, I am grateful, on behalf of the Congressional French Caucus, to invite the House of Representatives to join in honoring Philippe Gilbert, an unheralded leader and an expert in global logistics. Philippe recently announced his retirement from United Parcel Service, Inc. (UPS) and the Caucus recognizes Philippe Gilbert for his contribution to the American people during his tenure with UPS.

A native of France, Philippe earned his Finance degree from the Institut Supérieur de Gestion (I.S.G.) in Paris, France, and is fluent in English, Spanish, French and Portuguese. Philippe first came to the United States in 1994 working for Saga S.A, coincidentally, the same year he met his lovely wife, Ida. He went on to become Executive Vice President for GEODIS Wilson, the freight management division of the GEODIS Group, followed by his position as Regional CEO of the Americas for DB Schenker Logistics. Philippe joined UPS in 2019 as Executive Vice President, Supply Chain Solutions, where he was responsible for Global Logistics and Distribution, Global Freight Forwarding and the technology-driven truckload freight brokerage business at Coyote.

Philippe was an integral part of the UPS partnership with the White House to deliver lifesaving COVID-19 vaccines across the country. Philippe and his Supply Chain Solutions team worked tirelessly to ensure vaccines could be delivered quickly and safely. To date, UPS has delivered over 1 billion vaccines across the globe with near perfect on time delivery.

Not only did Philippe work to deliver critical healthcare goods, but his team also helped American businesses through the supply chain crisis that resulted from the pandemic. Under his leadership, the Supply Chain Solutions team helped businesses of all sizes optimize their supply chains and adjust to ever changing global trade dynamics.

While his business success is laudable, Philippe's personal advocacy in support of the Creer Business Resource Group (BRG) at UPS and efforts to support Latina advancement reflected his unwavering commitment to diversity, equity and inclusion. He would always find the time to engage and mentor, understanding the importance of the next generation of leaders.

We wish all the best to Philippe, Ida, and their son, Gabriel.

**HONORING LIEUTENANT COLONEL
RAUL MONTIAGUE UPON RECEIVING
THE DISTINGUISHED FLYING
CROSS**

HON. JOHN GARAMENDI

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, December 7, 2022

Mr. GARAMENDI. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor and commend Lieutenant Colo-

nel Raul Montague of the 60th Air Mobility Wing upon receiving the Distinguished Flying Cross for his service, dedication, and sacrifice during Operation Allies Refuge. He exemplifies the best of America, and his tireless efforts guarantee the safety of all those who call America home.

Last year, the servicemembers of the 60th Air Mobility Wing met a challenge of colossal scale when they played a pivotal role in completing the drawdown of forces from Afghanistan. This command was critical in the largest noncombatant evacuation operation in known history, Operation Allies Refuge, ultimately saving over 124,000 lives. The 60th Air Mobility Wing directly supported the evacuation of nearly 13,000 Afghans while simultaneously managing the security and operations at Hamid Karzai International Airport. I have listened to countless stories from this group of brave men and women that exemplify the character, leadership, and bravery that is cultivated at Travis Air Force Base.

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On behalf of a grateful country and all the constituents of California's Third Congressional District, I would like to congratulate Lieutenant Colonel Raul Montague of the 60th Air Mobility Wing for receiving the Distinguished Flying Cross and extend my sincere gratitude for his sacrifice and contributions to the defense of this great country.

**HONORING THE LIFE AND SERVICE
OF DALE HARRINGTON**

HON. MARK DeSAULNIER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, December 7, 2022

Mr. DeSAULNIER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the life of Dale Harrington.

Throughout his life, Dale has demonstrated his passion for advocacy and has worked tirelessly to promote equity within our community. He earned his master's degree from California State University at Sacramento, California and in 1963, he became Assistant Chief Probation Officer in Yolo and Santa Barbara Counties where he served for 15 years. In 1975, he was appointed chair of the Santa Barbara County Juvenile Justice Master Plan Task Force. Throughout his life, Dale was a strong advocate for criminal justice reform, firmly believing that no one is beyond redemption.

After his time as a probation officer, Dale was appointed as executive director of two corporations responsible for providing housing for elderly and disabled persons in the East Bay. Dale went on to share his expertise with future generations, joining the University of Phoenix as a Professor of Management, Sociology, and Critical Thinking. As a faculty member, he published an article through the University of Kiev in Ukraine entitled: "Professor and Student Responsibilities—How are they different?".

As a strong proponent for affordable housing within the East Bay, Dale was involved with many community organizations, serving on the Board for the Golden Rain Foundation, City of Benicia Housing Authority, and the California Association of Homes and Services for the Aging. Additionally, he was a founder and Board Member for the Affordable Housing Affiliation.

Please join me in honoring Dale Harrington, who sadly passed away at the age of 84 on October 9, 2022. He will be remembered for his outstanding character and his commitment to his community.

**RECOGNIZING JEROME D. SCHAD'S
EXCEPTIONAL CAREER**

HON. BRIAN HIGGINS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, December 7, 2022

Mr. HIGGINS of New York. Madam Speaker, today I am pleased to honor a man, Jerome "Jerry" Schad, and his lifetime of remarkable work. Jerry has been a pillar within the Western New York law community for nearly five decades and a personal friend of mine. Though Jerry's retirement is imminent, the work that he has done in private practice and public service will long outlive his career.

A graduate of Geneva College, Duquesne University, and the University at Buffalo Law School, Jerry was admitted into the New York State Bar Association in 1972. As a partner at Hodgson Russ LLP, Jerry spent nearly thirty-four years in litigation for his firm. His work mainly focused on tort, commercial, and civil litigation regarding compliance with disability law. In his storied career, he litigated in the New York State Supreme Court and handled appeals to the Third and Fourth Appellate Divisions of the Supreme Court.

After retiring from private practice in June of 2005, Jerry began his journey in public service. Beginning in 2012, as Majority Counsel to the Erie County Legislature, Jerry advised the Democratic majority on a wide variety of pressing legal issues. In 2013, Jerry began working as one of three Commissioners of the Erie County Water Authority. He would continue this work for three terms, and it would include taking the role of Chair in 2018.

Meanwhile, Jerome Schad has been the steady force and bedrock of the Amherst Democratic Committee for the last decade. Today, Jerry is recognized for all the work he has done to advance its position and interests.

With his newfound free time, I trust that Jerry will cherish more moments with his six children, twelve grandchildren, and his loving wife, Priscilla. Not to mention, it can be safely assumed that Jerry will more frequently be seen around Western New York's golf courses. As a long-tenured and vital leader of our community, he deserves this time to enjoy the things he loves most. On behalf of countless others, I would like to thank Jerry for all his efforts through an exceptional career.

HONORING DENNIS BROBSTON FOR
HIS TREMENDOUS IMPACT ON
SARATOGA COUNTY AND THE
CAPITAL REGION

HON. ELISE M. STEFANIK

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, December 7, 2022

Ms. STEFANIK. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Dennis Brobston for his remarkable career at Saratoga Economic Development Corporation (SEDC). Over his almost fifteen-year tenure, Dennis had a tremendous impact on Saratoga County and the Capital Region.

Under Dennis' leadership, SEDC focused on creating economic growth and stability in Saratoga County and the surrounding region by helping companies invest in facilities, technology, and talent. Since Dennis began serving as President in March 2008, he has worked on nearly 200 projects that have landed Saratoga County billions in economic development.

Among these projects was the creation of GlobalFoundries in 2009. SEDC estimates that this international firm created more than 3,000 jobs in Saratoga County and more than 20,000 indirect and induced jobs throughout the region. Dennis was involved in projects of all sizes, including creating distribution centers for Target, Ace Hardware, Quad/Graphics, Greenfield Manufacturing, Agrochem, Synergy Park, and Cortex.

Throughout Dennis' career, private investment in Saratoga County reached \$16 billion, job creation grew by over 5,000, and more than 4,000 jobs were retained. These investments and growth will continue to have an economic impact on the regional and state economy for many years going forward.

While Dennis' career at SEDC is coming to an end, his leadership will continue bringing economic success to the Saratoga region. On behalf of New York's 21st District, I am honored to congratulate Dennis for his monumental career at SEDC. We thank him for making a lasting impact on the Capital Region and wish him luck in his future endeavors.

HONORING CAPTAIN CODY APFEL
UPON RECEIVING THE DISTINGUISHED
FLYING CROSS

HON. JOHN GARAMENDI

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, December 7, 2022

Mr. GARAMENDI. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor and commend Captain Cody Apfel of the 60th Air Mobility Wing upon receiving the Distinguished Flying Cross for his service, dedication, and sacrifice during Operation Allies Refuge. He exemplifies the best of America, and his tireless efforts guarantee the safety of all those who call America home.

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PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. RUSS FULCHER

OF IDAHO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, December 7, 2022

Mr. FULCHER. Madam Speaker, had I been present, I would have voted YEA on Roll Call No. 509, S. 2796.

HONORING USAF RET. COL. JAMES
F. DOUGHERTY, JR.

HON. KAT CAMMACK

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, December 7, 2022

Mrs. CAMMACK. Madam Speaker, on behalf of Florida's Third Congressional District, I honor the life of Colonel James F. Dougherty Jr., USAF, Retired. He died at the Lake City VA Medical Center on June 16, 2022 at the age of 80.

Remembered as a loving husband, father, and grandfather, Colonel Dougherty was a pilot in the Air Force before moving into financial management. The unprecedented projects he tackled in the Air Force and the Department of Defense were a credit to his willingness to do the impossible in financial management and in support of military pay improvements for our troops stationed around the world. Colonel Dougherty served in Vietnam and in support of Operation Desert Shield/Storm.

I extend my deepest condolences to Colonel Dougherty's family and friends and celebrate his life well lived. Our nation is grateful for his service and sacrifice to the Stars and Stripes.

HONORING CAPTAIN SPENCER
YACOS UPON RECEIVING THE
DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS

HON. JOHN GARAMENDI

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, December 7, 2022

Mr. GARAMENDI. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor and commend Captain Spen-

cer Yacos of the 60th Air Mobility Wing upon receiving the Distinguished Flying Cross for his service, dedication, and sacrifice during Operation Allies Refuge. He exemplifies the best of America, and his tireless efforts guarantee the safety of all those who call America home.

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PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. RICHARD E. NEAL

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, December 7, 2022

Mr. NEAL. Madam Speaker, due to unforeseen circumstances, I was unable to be present on December 6, 2022, to vote on S. 4834, the PROTECT Our Children Act of 2022. Had I been present, I would have voted YEA on Roll Call No. 510, S. 4834, PROTECT Our Children Act.

RECOGNIZING SAN ANTONIO'S
RICHARD PEREZ

HON. HENRY CUELLAR

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, December 7, 2022

Mr. CUELLAR. Madam Speaker, today I rise to recognize Mr. Richard Perez of San Antonio, Texas.

After 15 years serving as President and Chief Executive Officer of the San Antonio Chamber of Commerce, Mr. Perez will step down from his position at the end of this month. Thanks to Mr. Perez, the Chamber is stronger and more influential than ever. I would like to congratulate him on his many successes and wish him the very best in the next chapter of his life.

A native of San Antonio, Texas, Mr. Perez learned about the importance of small businesses—and the challenges that they face—at

an early age while working for his family's landscaping company. He would go on to serve as Assistant to the City Manager in my hometown of Laredo, Texas and as Special Assistant to the Deputy Secretary of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development in the Clinton Administration. He then returned home to San Antonio where he would be elected to the City Council and eventually take the reins at the local Chamber.

Under Mr. Perez's tenure, the Chamber successfully advocated for the establishment of Texas A&M University—San Antonio and passage of the Vista Ridge Pipeline project. Mr. Perez also oversaw the design and implementation of a new governance structure and strategic plan for the Chamber. During the COVID-19 pandemic, the Chamber was not only a powerful advocate for the interests of local businesses, but also a critical resource for businessowners trying to make sense of the new pandemic relief programs established by Congress.

With more than 1,650 members, Mr. Perez has harnessed the power of San Antonio's business community to make the city a friendlier place for entrepreneurs and employers. He has been a tireless advocate for the San Antonio business community, and I have greatly enjoyed working with him over the years.

Once again, I would like to recognize all that Mr. Perez has contributed to the Chamber, to the City of San Antonio, and to the State of Texas. I congratulate him on his work over the past 15 years, and I look forward to seeing what the next chapter of his life holds.

HONORING CAPTAIN JEDD
DILLMAN UPON RECEIVING THE
DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS

HON. JOHN GARAMENDI

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, December 7, 2022

Mr. GARAMENDI. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor and commend Captain Jedd Dillman of the 60th Air Mobility Wing upon receiving the Distinguished Flying Cross for his service, dedication, and sacrifice during Operation Allies Refuge. He exemplifies the best of America, and his tireless efforts guarantee the safety of all those who call America home.

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REPUBLICAN REPEAL OF NEW IRS
AGENTS

HON. JOE WILSON

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, December 7, 2022

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Madam Speaker, sadly in August, the Democrats passed the irresponsible \$740 billion Inflation 'Expansion' Act.

According to the Congressional Budget Office this reckless legislation, now signed into law by Biden, will actually increase the deficit by \$60 billion through 2026—putting more strain on the budgets of American families.

In addition to a long list of unnecessary and costly actions planned, such as tax increases on corporations and some \$350 billion creating dependency on Chinese batteries the law wastes \$80 billion for the IRS hiring of an additional 87,000 more agents, increasing audits targeting families and businesses.

Voters have elected a House Republican majority to fight inflation with fiscal sanity and repealing this IRS hiring is a high priority.

In conclusion, God bless our troops, who successfully protected America for 20 years, as the Global War on Terrorism continues moving from the Afghanistan safe haven to America.

As we remember the attack of December 7th, we will always remember the attack of September 11th to support peace through strength.

DANIELLE RADOVICH PIPER

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, December 7, 2022

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise to honor the public service of my Chief of Staff, Danielle Radovich Piper.

Danielle has served as my trusted adviser for more than two decades. She managed my first campaign for Congress in 2006 out of a former veterinarian's office in Golden and has been by my side ever since as my Chief of Staff. Together, we've served Colorado's 7th Congressional District for the last 16 years. Danielle expertly managed our team of dedicated public servants. She ensured a dual focus for our office on advancing legislation which would benefit the hard-working people of Colorado while simultaneously providing excellent constituent services. Danielle is a brilliant strategist and communicator. This has served us well during difficult times including natural disasters and devastating crises in our community. She is highly respected by her peers in both Colorado and Washington, D.C.

Danielle graduated from Colorado State University with a major in Political Science and a

minor in Spanish. Before serving as my Chief of Staff, Danielle was Chief of Staff for the Senate Majority in the Colorado General Assembly. She has been appointed to several state-level entities, including the Supreme Court Nominating Commission and the Census Outreach Grant Committee.

Danielle has done this all while raising two boys, Aiden who attends Golden High School and Liam who attends Manning Middle School, with her husband Chris. Danielle is a tremendous role model with a strong moral compass who checks every line of the Code of the West, especially "Always finish what you start," "Know where to draw the line," "Be tough, but fair," and "When you make a promise, keep it." Danielle's leadership and commitment to our community is remarkable and it is impossible to count the ways her work has impacted the State of Colorado. I am proud to see Danielle continue her public service next year at my alma mater, the University of Colorado, as the Senior Vice President for External Relations and Strategy.

On behalf of our friends, neighbors, and constituents from Colorado's 7th Congressional District and the entire Congress, I want to express sincere appreciation for the career and public service of my colleague and friend, Danielle Radovich Piper.

HONORING CAPTAIN DAVID
STUPPY UPON RECEIVING THE
DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS

HON. JOHN GARAMENDI

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, December 7, 2022

Mr. GARAMENDI. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor and commend Captain David Stuppy of the 60th Air Mobility Wing upon receiving the Distinguished Flying Cross for his service, dedication, and sacrifice during Operation Allies Refuge. He exemplifies the best of America, and his tireless efforts guarantee the safety of all those who call America home.

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sacrifice and contributions to the defense of this great country.

REMEMBERING VERONA VETERAN
MICHAEL A. COPPOLA, JR. FOR
HIS YEARS OF MILITARY SERV-
ICE

HON. MIKIE SHERRILL

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, December 7, 2022

Ms. SHERRILL. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Michael A. Coppola, Jr. for his years of service to our Nation and to the North New Jersey community.

Mr. Coppola served in the Navy as a Water Tender Second Class. He fought in World War II from 1943 to 1946. Remarkably, he answered his country's call to duty a second time during the Korean War from 1950 to 1952. During his years of honorable service, he was awarded with the American Theatre Medal, Victory Medal, European Theatre Medal, and the Sea Bee Insignia.

After his military service, he moved to Verona, New Jersey in 1954. He worked as a Power House Chief Engineer for Otis Elevator for 31 years then went to work for Westinghouse for 10 years in a similar role.

He was President of the Essex Chapter of the National Association of Power Engineers and was a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars in Cedar Grove. In addition, he was a Fourth Degree Member of the Knights of Columbus and was a Cubmaster for Boy Scout Pack Five in Verona. For twenty years, he walked as the oldest marching veteran from World War II in Verona's Memorial Day Parade. Over these years, he became a beloved staple of the event.

Regrettably, Michael A. Coppola Jr. died on July 1st at the NJ Veterans Home in Paramus at the age of 97. I am proud to honor his long service in the Navy. He will be a missed fixture of our community.

BEATRICE STIEBER'S 100TH
BIRTHDAY

HON. MIKE QUIGLEY

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, December 7, 2022

Mr. QUIGLEY. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the 100th Birthday of Beatrice Stieber.

Beatrice (Kramer) Stieber was born on December 14, 1922 in the Bronx, New York. She married Robert Stieber on February 7, 1943. After 52 years together he passed away on April 4, 1995. They had two children, Jay and Dean.

Bea loves to spend time with her grandchildren, Tami, David, Brennan and Haley and her great grandchildren Grace, Jordan, Hadley and Scarlett.

Her happiness comes from her family, and she brings joy to all who know her. She is an outstanding cook and is passionate about food. At this milestone birthday, Bea continues to live a full and rewarding life.

HONORING LIEUTENANT RYAN
CORVIN UPON RECEIVING THE
DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS

HON. JOHN GARAMENDI

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, December 7, 2022

Mr. GARAMENDI. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor and commend Lieutenant Ryan Corvin of the 60th Air Mobility Wing upon receiving the Distinguished Flying Cross for his service, dedication, and sacrifice during Operation Allies Refuge. He exemplifies the best of America, and his tireless efforts guarantee the safety of all those who call America home.

Last year, the servicemembers of the 60th Air Mobility Wing met a challenge of colossal scale when they played a pivotal role in completing the drawdown of forces from Afghanistan. This command was critical in the largest noncombatant evacuation operation in known history, Operation Allies Refuge, ultimately saving over 124,000 lives. The 60th Air Mobility Wing directly supported the evacuation of nearly 13,000 Afghans while simultaneously managing the security and operations at Hamid Karzai International Airport. I have listened to countless stories from this group of brave men and women that exemplify the character, leadership, and bravery that is cultivated at Travis Air Force Base.

Service records only scratch the surface of the courageous actions performed by the 60th Air Mobility Wing. They put their hearts and lives on the line to save so many. These valiant servicemembers like Lieutenant Ryan Corvin epitomize the values of courage and patriotism.

On behalf of a grateful country and all the constituents of California's Third Congressional District, I would like to congratulate Lieutenant Ryan Corvin of the 60th Air Mobility Wing for receiving the Distinguished Flying Cross and extend my sincere gratitude for his sacrifice and contributions to the defense of this great country.

HONORING THE MID CONTINENT
GROUP

HON. KEVIN HERN

OF OKLAHOMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, December 7, 2022

Mr. HERN. Madam Speaker, I rise to honor an impressive accomplishment for a group of job creators and innovators in my district.

This week, the Mid Continent Group celebrates their 75th anniversary. Founded in Oklahoma City by economic and cultural pioneers J.H. Edwards, E. Fred Johnson, and C.R. Anthony, the Mid Continent Group eventually moved to Tulsa under the leadership of Senator JIM INHOFE's father, Perry Dyson Inhofe, Sr.

Since 1983, the Mid Continent Group has operated as a subsidiary of Great American Insurance, under the umbrella of American Financial Group (AFG). Their business-focused approach to commercial insurance has led them to sustained success in the Tulsa area. Much like Senator INHOFE and his family, they've had a lasting positive impact on our community and the state of Oklahoma.

I thank Mid Continent Group for 75 years of hard work to help businesses flourish, and thanks to all the individuals who have contributed to that mission.

HONORING DR. K. BARRY
SHARPLESS FOR RECEIVING HIS
SECOND NOBEL PRIZE IN CHEM-
ISTRY

HON. MIKE LEVIN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, December 7, 2022

Mr. LEVIN of California. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the extraordinary accomplishments of Dr. Barry Sharpless who was awarded his second Nobel Prize in Chemistry this year. His contributions to the fields of chemistry and medicine are numerous and with this award he has joined an elite list of researchers and scientists. I honor his achievements as he becomes one of only two scientists in history to win two Nobel Prizes in Chemistry and only the fifth person to win a Nobel Prize twice.

Dr. Sharpless was born in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, on April 28, 1941. His first true passion was fishing, and it has been a constant throughout his life. He did not discover his love of chemistry and science until much later and did not plan to become a scientist in his youth. In 1959, he left Philadelphia to attend university at Dartmouth College in New Hampshire. His parents had always hoped that he would follow in his father's footsteps and become a medical doctor. This led him to study chemistry in school. It was at Dartmouth College that he found mentors who inspired and guided him.

Dr. Sharpless attended Stanford University for his postgraduate studies, where he earned his doctorate in organic chemistry. He met his future wife at Stanford University, and they later had three children. Upon completion of his Ph.D., Dr. Sharpless conducted research in enzymology at Harvard University.

In 1970, he joined the faculty at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) as an assistant professor. It was at MIT that he began researching chirality, a concept in chemistry which refers to mirror image molecules. Chemical reactions that occur in a lab produce two forms of molecules with different properties. Relying on the wrong form can make synthetic medicines dangerous. Thanks to the work done by Dr. Sharpless and his colleagues, his lab was able to find ways to synthesize molecules with new properties to develop safer pharmaceutical products. These contributions earned him his first Nobel Prize in 2001, which he shared with William S. Knowles, Ph.D., and Ryoji Noyori, Deng.

Dr. Sharpless joined Scripps Research in La Jolla, California, in 1990. Building upon his earlier work, Dr. Sharpless developed click chemistry, a term he coined that describes a set of methods used to construct chemical compounds. This process revolutionized how scientists approach bioimaging and has led to significant advances in drug development for diseases such as diabetes, Alzheimer's, Parkinson's, and cancer.

We are incredibly proud that Dr. Sharpless and his team at Scripps Research are doing this groundbreaking work in the San Diego region.

Nobel Prizes are awarded to those with the highest degrees of intelligence, creativity, and dedication. I am certain Dr. Sharpless will continue to embody these characteristics and inspire future generations to do the same. Dr. Sharpless has earned countless awards, honors, and distinctions from around the world and has brought immense pride to California's 49th Congressional District.

Madam Speaker, as you can see, Dr. Sharpless is an incredibly accomplished individual who has had a positive impact on our community, our Nation, and the world. I congratulate Dr. Sharpless on this remarkable honor and I look forward to seeing what he does next.

HONORING LIEUTENANT COLONEL
WILLIAM STREET UPON RECEIVING
THE DISTINGUISHED FLYING
CROSS

HON. JOHN GARAMENDI

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, December 7, 2022

Mr. GARAMENDI. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor and commend Lieutenant Colonel William Street of the 60th Air Mobility Wing upon receiving the Distinguished Flying Cross for his service, dedication, and sacrifice during Operation Allies Refuge. He exemplifies the best of America, and his tireless efforts guarantee the safety of all those who call America home.

Last year, the servicemembers of the 60th Air Mobility Wing met a challenge of colossal scale when they played a pivotal role in completing the drawdown of forces from Afghanistan. This command was critical in the largest noncombatant evacuation operation in known history, Operation Allies Refuge, ultimately saving over 124,000 lives. The 60th Air Mobility Wing directly supported the evacuation of nearly 13,000 Afghans while simultaneously managing the security and operations at Hamid Karzai International Airport. I have listened to countless stories from this group of brave men and women that exemplify the character, leadership, and bravery that is cultivated at Travis Air Force Base.

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On behalf of grateful country and all the constituents of California's Third Congressional District, I would like to congratulate Lieutenant Colonel William Street of the 60th Air Mobility Wing for receiving the Distinguished Flying Cross and extend my sincere gratitude for his sacrifice and contributions to the defense of this great country.

HONORING FAYETTEVILLE STATE
UNIVERSITY'S FOOTBALL TEAM
FOR OUTSTANDING ATHLETIC
LEADERSHIP AND SUCCESS

HON. RICHARD HUDSON

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, December 7, 2022

Mr. HUDSON. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Fayetteville State University Football Team for its exceptional victory in the 2022 Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association (CIAA) Conference Championship.

On Saturday, November 12, 2022, the Fayetteville State University Football Team defeated Chowan University in the CIAA Conference Championship to become conference champions for the first time in 13 years. This victory was marked by an impressive second-half comeback that resulted in a last-second, game-winning field goal and a final game score of 31–28. Having advanced to the CIAA Championship the past 5 years, Fayetteville State has demonstrated steady dominance in the conference. Although it was defeated in the previous four championship games, the team's hard work and resilience led to a well-deserved win this year. This outstanding achievement is a direct result of remarkable work ethic, discipline, and determination. These values represent the very best of our community and serve as an excellent example for all to follow.

I would like to extend my most sincere congratulations to Fayetteville State for winning its conference championship. The team's passionate commitment to their craft and dedicated leadership within our community is both admirable and inspiring. I speak for our entire community in wishing the student-athletes and coaching staff continued success.

Madam Speaker, please join me today in honoring the Fayetteville State University Football Team for its exemplary work ethic and impressive victory in the CIAA Conference Championship.

HONORING CAPTAIN KATELYN
DUNAHOE UPON RECEIVING THE
DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS

HON. JOHN GARAMENDI

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, December 7, 2022

Mr. GARAMENDI. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor and commend Captain Katelyn Dunahoe of the 60th Air Mobility Wing upon receiving the Distinguished Flying Cross for her service, dedication, and sacrifice during Operation Allies Refuge. She exemplifies the best of America, and her tireless efforts guarantee the safety of all those who call America home.

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On behalf of a grateful country and all the constituents of California's Third Congressional District, I would like to congratulate Captain Katelyn Dunahoe of the 60th Air Mobility Wing for receiving the Distinguished Flying Cross and extend my sincere gratitude for her sacrifice and contributions to the defense of this great country.

SENATE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Title IV of Senate Resolution 4, agreed to by the Senate of February 4, 1977, calls for establishment of a system for a computerized schedule of all meetings and hearings of Senate committees, subcommittees, joint committees, and committees of conference. This title requires all such committees to notify the Office of the Senate Daily Digest—designated by the Rules Committee—of the time, place and purpose of the meetings, when scheduled and any cancellations or changes in the meetings as they occur.

As an additional procedure along with the computerization of this information, the Office of the Senate Daily Digest will prepare this information for printing in the Extensions of Remarks section of the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on Monday and Wednesday of each week.

Meetings scheduled for Thursday, December 8, 2022 may be found in the Daily Digest of today's RECORD.

MEETINGS SCHEDULED

DECEMBER 12

5:30 p.m.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

Business meeting to consider the nominations of Martin J. Gruenberg, of Maryland, to be a Member and Chairperson, Travis Hill, of Maryland, to be a Member and Vice Chairperson, and Jonathan McKernan, of Tennessee, to be a Member, all of the Board of Directors of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, and Kimberly Ann McClain, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

S-219

DECEMBER 13

9:30 a.m.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations

To hold hearings to examine sexual abuse of female inmates in Federal prisons.

SD-342

10 a.m.

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Subcommittee on Food and Nutrition, Specialty Crops, Organics, and Research

To hold hearings to examine food as medicine, focusing on current efforts and potential opportunities.

SR-328A

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

Subcommittee on Communications, Media, and Broadband

To hold hearings to examine solutions to meet America's broadband needs.

SR-253

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

To hold hearings to examine the Department of the Interior's implementation of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act.

SD-366

Committee on the Judiciary

To hold hearings to examine pending nominations.

SD-226

2:30 p.m.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

Subcommittee on Securities, Insurance, and Investment

To hold hearings to examine how capital markets serve diverse entrepreneurs and investors.

SD-538

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

Subcommittee on Oceans, Fisheries, Climate Change, and Manufacturing

To hold hearings to examine promoting and investing in small American manufacturers.

SR-253

3 p.m.

Committee on Rules and Administration

To hold an oversight hearing to examine the U.S. Capitol Police.

SR-301

DECEMBER 14

10 a.m.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

To hold hearings to examine why the FTX bubble burst and the harm to consumers.

SD-G50

2:30 p.m.

Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship

To hold hearings to examine improving access to capital in underserved communities, focusing on the Community Advantage program, microloans, and other Small Business Administration initiatives.

SR-428A

DECEMBER 15

10 a.m.

Committee on Environment and Public Works

Subcommittee on Chemical Safety, Waste Management, Environmental Justice, and Regulatory Oversight

To hold hearings to examine the impact of plastic use and identifying solutions for reducing plastic waste.

SD-406

Special Committee on Aging

To hold hearings to examine promoting healthy and affordable food for older Americans.

SD-562